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Final Dough Auction Saturday Night

Hopkins Ending 42 Years' Work As Co. Assessor

Speculation as to who will be Los Angeles county's new assessor was aroused this week, following the announcement from County Assessor Ed Hopkins that he definitely will not run for re-election next year.

The veteran county assessor, now approaching his 75th year, has been elected and re-elected to his office seven times by the citizens of Los Angeles county, and has been in the county service for a total of 42 years.

John W. Hartman, chief deputy county assessor for a number of years, and second in command in the office for some time, is expected to be a strong contender for the office, if he wants to make the race.

Has Two Distinctions
John R. Quinn, former county supervisor from the Fourth district and now chairman of the State Veterans' Welfare Board, also is expected to be a candidate, according to reports around the Hall of Records.

Several so-called tax experts also are expected to enter the race.

Hopkins has the distinction of having appointed the first woman deputy assessor in the history of American government. He also bought the first automobile for a county department. The woman deputy was Mrs. Leona Russ, appointed in 1913.

Assessed valuation of the county was only \$100,000,000 when Hopkins was appointed in 1895. This year the valuation, by contrast, is \$2,200,511,630; exclusively of the public utility valuations.

BAND MAKES HIT AT FAIR

Sunday's tremendous crowd that jammed the auditorium at the Los Angeles County Fair grounds in Pomona greatly enjoyed the appearance of the Torrance Municipal band and its music, according to local residents who were there to head the two-hour concert and gauge the reception given the organization.

Including members of the band, a full carload of Torrance folk entrained at the Pacific Electric station Sunday morning to take advantage of the P. E.'s excursion rate to the fair. The band appeared in its new uniforms of white, trimmed with black, and received an ovation after its concert. John T. Watson directed and the program proved to be one of the outstanding entertainment hits so far offered on the fair program.

The new uniforms include white coats and caps decorated with black striping and pocket insignias. They were recently purchased by the city at a cost of about \$500.

FIDO WINS MORE FREEDOM 12 Dog Catchers Patrol County Area

The dog population of Los Angeles county was enjoying a bit more freedom this week—that is—a dog in his master's property need no longer be kept on a leash.

Modern School of Gas Cookery Opens Free 3-Day Session in Auditorium Next Wednesday

MANY GIFTS TO BE GIVEN EACH DAY

Ushered in with all the fall activities is the new Modern School of Gas Cookery sponsored by The Herald.

This new cooking school is under the able direction of Jessie B. Ewing, home economics expert and home service representative of Southern California Gas company, and will be held at the Torrance Auditorium next Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, Sept. 29, 30 and Oct. 1.

The sessions will begin promptly at 1:30 o'clock and "school will be out" at 3:30. Miss Ewing renews her acquaintance with hundreds of local women when she again presents her little cooking dramas starring the modern automatic gas range and gas refrigerator. A large number of valuable gifts will be distributed to the school's "students" each afternoon.

Will Cover All Phases
"It keeps me busy all summer doing research work and testing recipes for our many friends who find it inspiring and entertaining to keep up-to-date with all that is new in the culinary world," Miss Ewing says. "This year again we have new and speedier gas ranges which demand new study. In the Modern School of Gas Cookery our programs will cover low-temperature roasting of meat and fowls; deep-fat and simmer cooking; toasting and broiling; and cake baking. Cooking is indeed an art and one of the most interesting hobbies as well. Our three-day school of cooking will endeavor to cover all phases of cooking that appeal to modern families both from a variety standpoint and that of economy."

Miss Ewing is a graduate of University of California with degree in Home Economics. Her headquarters are located in the Southern California Gas company building in Redondo Beach.

Her programs will feature oven dinners, yeast turkey (new low-temperature), double-quick broiled steaks, speed breakfasts, top-of-range casseroles and many other modern dishes which are individual and especially created for modern gas range cooking. In addition to the gas range recipes, there will be frozen dessert recipes for the gas refrigerator and many hints for making work in the kitchen more agreeable and wholly pleasant.

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Cooking School Director



The Herald's three-day Modern School of Gas Cookery opens next Wednesday afternoon, Sept. 29, in the Civic Auditorium under the direction of Home Economist Jessie Ewing, and continues through Thursday and Friday afternoons, Sept. 30 and Oct. 1. The cooking school is free and everyone is invited to attend these new and inspiring culinary matinees. Many gifts will be distributed each day.

Revive Musical Comedy Friday

With several new features and a few changes in the cast, "Love's in the Air," a liltling musical comedy, full of hilarious situations and augmented by some specialty numbers that are worth the price of admission alone, will be revived on the Civic Auditorium stage tomorrow (Friday) night at 8:15 o'clock. Tickets...

for the show, which has a cast of 35 local people, are being sold by members of the sponsoring Woman's club, at all drug stores and may be obtained at the box-office before the performance tomorrow.

Admission prices have been fixed at "special bargain rates" for this fine presentation of the production which scored such a hit when it was given two nights last July. Student tickets are 25 cents and adult admissions are 49 cents.

"Love's in the Air" is a fast-moving musical comedy whose lyrics and music were written by Lucien Denni. With Mrs. Denni, the author is directing the show here. Romance of the heart-throb variety is intermingled with sparkling dialogue, rib-ticking situations and swinging melodies. Conrad Gray, baritone, and Doris Roche, soprano, both well known on the professional stage and screen are returning to re-create the leading roles of Jack Van Dyke, the boy, and Kay Brewster, the girl.

Has Splendid Cast
Other important parts are taken by Douglas York as Steve Gardner the playboy; Phillis Sears, as Babs Brewster the pert little sister; Don Mitchell as James Brewster the father;

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District Firemen Defer Action On Time-off Bill

At their meeting in the central fire station last Thursday night, members of the Harbor District Firemen's association decided to defer action on the new time-off legislation until the California State Firemen's association convention is held in Redding next week.

By the terms of Assembly Bill 2,505, adopted at the recent legislative session, firemen are supposed to have one shift per week or four shifts per month off-duty when they are not subject to call. They now work one 24-hour shift on and one shift off but are subject to emergency calls at any time in most communities.

Nearly 100 Come Here
Few municipalities are abiding by the new law, it was said at the meeting here, and the state convention is expected to provide funds to start a test case of the law, firemen were told by Capt. Clement of the Long Beach fire department.

Nearly 100 firemen from departments in Harbor district cities were guests of the local fire department at the session. Torrance expects to send a representative to the Redding convention. Refreshments were served to the firemen and several city officials who attended last week's gathering here.

Mothers Center Will Continue

Continuance of the Mothers' Educational Center, conducted by Dr. Maude Wilde on the fourth Friday of each month at the Torrance Woman's clubhouse, was assured this week as four civic-minded organizations agreed to sponsor the project.

For the past ten years the \$15 monthly charge of Dr. Wilde and her assistants has been paid by the Chamber of Commerce. A recent ruling of the city auditor, however, prohibiting the use of tax money for this purpose, compelled the chamber to withdraw its support and for a time this worthy aid to young children and their mothers was threatened.

However, following vigorous efforts on the part of Mrs. Lillian Barrington and other Woman's club members, Chamber of Commerce officials agreed to contribute \$5 per month out of membership funds. The balance of the \$15 monthly charge will be made up as follows: Torrance Community Service Association, \$5; Rotary \$2.50; and the remaining \$2.50 per month is expected to be furnished by the Kiwanis club, according to R. J. Deininger, president, who is shortly to submit the request to club members.

The regular session of the Mothers' Education Center will be held tomorrow (Friday) at the Woman's club, 1422 Engracia avenue, and thereafter on the fourth Friday of each month, Mrs. Barrington states.

Rider Injured When Thrown from Horse
Suffering from a possible skull fracture and severe bruises, Miss Verona Madden, 23, of 1914 South Beryl street, Redondo Beach, was rushed to Jared Sidney Torrance Memorial hospital from the beach community shortly after noon yesterday. She was thrown from her horse near the end of a morning canter. Today Miss Madden is reported to be making a good recovery.

NEW CLASS STARTS
Ray Sebelius began giving instruction in the new electric shop classes at Narbonne high school today.

Gilbert to Share In Father's Estate
W. A. Gilbert of Torrance is to share in the estate of his late father, Albert C. Gilbert, who died Sept. 4 in Los Angeles, according to the petition for probate of his will filed this week in Los Angeles county superior court.

Real and personal property and promissory notes are the principal items in the estate, which is valued at more than \$5,000, it was stated.

Reservoir Near Lomita Studied by MWD Staff

Field surveys for the new storage reservoir which the Metropolitan Water district plans to construct in the Palos Verdes Hills are nearing completion, it was learned this week from the district offices in Los Angeles.

The proposed reservoir would have a capacity of about 300,000,000 gallons, and would be sufficient for a one two or three-day supply for Torrance, Long Beach and the harbor district of Los Angeles city, in event that an earthquake should break the supply pipes on the feeder line soon to be constructed southerly from the northern edge of Eagle Rock, it was explained.

Location planned for the reservoir is on Narbonne Avenue south of Lomita. A dam would be constructed across Narbonne Avenue about one-fourth mile south of the Palos Verdes Sand company's bunkers now being erected.

The Narbonne Avenue would be re-routed a short distance south of Lomita, via Palos Verdes drive, around the reservoir.

Tire Blowout Proves Fatal

James H. Hanks, 51, well-known resident at 1304 Acacia street and electrician for the Superior Oil company, was fatally injured last Saturday afternoon when a rear tire on his small truck blew out, causing the machine to overturn near Kettleman Hills in Kern county. Mr. Hanks was found by the road in a dying condition and he never recovered consciousness.

He had left home here about noon Saturday to go to Kettleman Hills where his firm was doing some work. On his trips away from home he usually called his wife, Mrs. Zula Hanks, by telephone to let her know he arrived safely and tell her when he would return. Saturday evening she waited for his call and when word came by telephone of his death she collapsed. Mrs. Hanks is still prostrated by the tragedy.

Mr. Hanks was a native of Murphysboro, Illinois, where he was born May 23, 1886. He had lived here since 1917 and previously to his connection with the Superior Oil company he was an electrician for the National Supply company. Besides his wife he is survived by a sister, Mrs. I. Levy of Murphysboro; a brother, Frank Hanks of Duquoin, Ill., and his brother-in-law, Urtis Geraghty of Los Angeles.

The funeral service will be held tomorrow (Friday) afternoon at 2 o'clock at Stone and Myers' chapel. Members of the Masonic lodge, of which he was a valued member, will conduct the service and Mrs. Thomas Ulrich will be soloist. Interment will be at Inglewood Park cemetery.

Welfare Fund Being Raised Without Show
Without any solicitors other than volunteer workers, without the fanfare of publicity and minus all the "show" that usually accompanies similar charitable efforts in other cities, the Torrance Community Welfare association is steadily proceeding to raise \$1,500 or \$2,000 deemed necessary to aid underprivileged persons and families here.

"We are not engaged in a 'drive' or 'campaign' for welfare funds in the way that other cities raise their Community Chest revenue," Sam Levy, general chairman of the fund-accumulation effort, said this week. "That is because we don't believe in 'high-pressure' the people and are well satisfied with the subscriptions volunteered by Torrance industries, business firms and private citizens.

"However, we have still a long way to go to reach our objective which is enough money to continue the welfare and relief work here that is not touched by the county, state or Federal aid," Levy pointed out. "Any subscriptions to the Community Welfare association—of any amount—will be most appreciated and these may be left with me or at the Chamber of Commerce."

"The Community Welfare group has a distinguished record of expending funds for 15 years here without one cent being paid for overhead or administrative expenses of any kind. This has been possible through the unselfish efforts of leading citizens to afford welfare and relief to their less fortunate neighbors without any thought of remuneration.

Share Shekel Event in Civic Auditorium Starts at 8:30 P.M.

Climaxed by the auctioning of the major award of the three-week feature, a brand-new Grunow console radio which ordinarily sells for \$89.50, many extra gifts and a free community dance, the final Dividend Dough auction will be held Saturday night, starting at 8:30 o'clock, in the Civic Auditorium. Every person who has shopped at the Dividend Dough stores here since Sept. 4—when the distribution of Share Shekels began—should be present that night—next Saturday—to enjoy the fun.

ONCE... TWICE AND SOLD!

Here is the list of successful "bidders" last Saturday night at the Dividend Dough auction: Peter Colombo, 1342 Engracia avenue and Mrs. Tom Perkin, 2306 Torrance boulevard, "purchased" the pair of Mixmasters, whose retail value was \$20.00 each, with their Share Shekels. Colombo won his Mixmaster for 65,000 Shekels while Mrs. Perkin had the second major award donated by the Torrance Retail Merchants' association "knocked down" to her for 90,000 of the paper "money."

A large box of groceries, presented by George Colburn, was "bought" by J. H. Neill of Mari-copa street, 75 feet of garden hose by Firestone Auto Supply and Service Store to Peter Colombo, 1342 Engracia; a box of groceries from Richard Colburn by A. Van Kralingen, 2304 Gramercy; a potted plant from Harriet Leech, Flowers, by Mrs. C. Carlson, 1723 Andree; a woolen blanket from J. C. Penney company by George Potteroff, 1644 219th.

A pure gold trimmed teapot from Worrell, the Hardware Man, by George B. Hopkins; a Sparklet siphon set from the Dolley Drug Company by G. Haworth, 1107 Portola; a set of five wash dresses from J. J. Newberry company by Mrs. Charles Woodcock, 1218 Amalpa; a box of groceries from the Safeway stores by J. A. Shaffer, Spurlin House R. Spurlin Court; a carving set from Baker Smith, Jeweler, by Claude Mitchell, 2115 Andree; an Agfa camera from Haig & Haig by F. Purcell, 21834 Dolores, Keystone.

A G.E. waffle iron from the Star Department store by W. W. Rowland, 1005 Sartori; a Spaulding tennis racket from Faxman's Hardware store by Paul Hippik, 1605 West 220th; a set of Goodrich Soap Box Derby wheels and axles from Harvey's Service station by young George Winters, 1210 El Prado; five gallons of Penn oil from Western Auto Supply company by John Dickey, 1417 Gola; a casserole set from National Home Appliance company by young Norman Marsteller.

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At the Auditorium Auctioneer Ray Brooks will offer the first article for "sale" promptly at 8:30 o'clock and he has a larger number of prizes to "sell" than at the previous auctions. Included in these will be a flock of merchandise orders from J. Lepkin, Tailor; Robinson's Shoe Repair shop, Torrance Tire and Retreading company, Kenny's Repair shop and Whitney's Bakery.

Dance to Follow Auction
This will be the last time that the Share Shekels which are being issued by 25 stores and merchants at the rate of 50 for each 50 cent purchase or multiple thereof will be "good" for exchange in competitive bidding. The major award, the Grunow console radio, was especially purchased together with the two Mixmasters and the Nesco electric cooker, previously "sold" by the Torrance Retail Merchants' association.

Immediately following the last shout of "Sold!" by Auctioneer Brooks next Saturday night a gala carnival dance, the gift of the Merchants' association to the residents of Torrance and vicinity, will begin and last until midnight. A splendid "swing" orchestra has been engaged to provide the music and there will be a number of carnival attractions.

Don't fail to attend this concluding Dividend Dough event! Get every Share Shekel you can between now and 8:30 Saturday night and be at the Auditorium to bid them!

Smith Counts Shekels
Last Saturday night's auction drew a crowd estimated at more than 600 persons, a record for Frank Schurmer and Officer Tom Perkins closed off Sartori

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